

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated near my name below.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter of which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**FUEL TANK HAVING MOLDED REINFORCEMENTS  
AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME**

which is described and claimed in the specification of which:

  X   is executed on even date herewith; attorney docket number 64,294-015,

I declare that this application is:

  X   a first filing.

       a continuation.

       a continuation-in-part.

       a divisional.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I do not know and do not believe my invention was known or used by others in the United States of America, or patented or described in a printed publication in any country before my invention thereof.

I do not know and do not believe my invention was patented or described in a printed publication in any country or in public use or on sale in the United States of America, more than one year prior to this application.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any foreign country or in the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns except as follows:

### PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

☐ no such applications have been filed.

☐ such applications have been filed as follows:

| COUNTRY | APPLICATION<br>NUMBER | DATE OF FILING<br>(month, day, year) | PRIORITY<br>CLAIMED<br>UNDER 37 USC 119<br><br>Yes__ No__ |
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I hereby claim priority to and all the benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s).

☐ no such applications have been filed.

☐ such applications have been filed as follows:

| APPLICATION<br>NUMBER | DATE OF FILING<br>(month, day, year) |
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I hereby claim priority to and all the benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of the above identified application is not disclosed in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application.

\_\_\_ no such applications have been filed.

\_\_\_ such applications have been filed as follows:

| APPLICATION<br>NUMBER | DATE OF FILING<br>(month, day, year) | STATUS<br>(patented, pending, abandoned) |
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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith with full power of substitution and revocation. (all names listed with corresponding registration numbers)

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### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: 4-21-98

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**ASSIGNMENT**  
**(Sole Inventor)**

WHEREAS, I, **O.C. Huse**, (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), residing at **708 Tanglewood Lane, Arlington, Texas 76012**, have invented new and useful improvements in:

**FUEL TANK HAVING MOLDED REINFORCEMENTS  
AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME**

which is set forth in an application for Letters Patent in the United States having the attorney docket number **64,294-015** and executed on May 15, 1998;

AND WHEREAS, **The Moore Company**, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), having an address at **P.O. Box 36, Westerly, RI 02891**, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has assigned, sold and set over, and by these presents assigns, sells and sets over unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, for the territory of the United States of America and all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application for Letters Patent, including the right to file foreign patent applications corresponding to said application, and the right to claim the priority date of said United States patent application and any legal equivalents thereof, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said application, or re-issues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents prepared and executed by Assignor on even date herewith, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the Assignor had this Assignment and sale not been made.

AND the Assignor hereby covenants and agrees that the Assignor will at any time upon the request and at the expense of the Assignee execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said invention and to obtain Letters Patent therefor, and the Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the Assignee in accordance with this Agreement.

5-19-1998

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